

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

The Renewal of War Rumors Increases the Immigration of Germans to the United States.

The German Press Discussing Possible Combination to Overcome Dis-manch's Majority

Germany.

THE SECOND BALLOT.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The new German Liberal papers estimate that the second ballots for new members of the Reichstag will result in the return of twenty-four new German Liberals, twenty-four National Liberals, six Conservatives, two Free Conservatives, seven Ultra-Montanians and eight Socialists.

NOTES FROM THE FATHERLAND.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—After a short debate the Lower House of the Prussian Diet passed second reading the estimates, afterward approving the budget bills without discussion.

The papers continue to discuss the possible combinations of parties resulting in the formation of a majority strong enough to oppose the Chancellor. Among the possible groupings, the old conservatives, never close supporters of Bismarck, may unite with the Liberals, thus making a majority composed of the Kreuzzeitung party, the Center and the Conservatives. It is reported that the old Conservative leaders have already made overtures to the Center with a view of having the two parties act together in the event of Herr Bennigsen's attempt to carry out the reported design of overthrowing Minister Puttkamer. It is impossible to predict the attitude of the Center. If the tone of their organ, Germany, be taken as an indication, they are ready to continue the struggle against Bismarck.

It is expected that another papal manifesto will be issued, appealing to the Catholics to refrain from voting at the test ballots for Socialists.

In the sixty districts in which new elections will be held there are eighteen Socialist candidates, twenty-eight new German Liberals, ten Conservatives, three Poles, two Guelphs, one Volkspartei, fourteen Conservatives, ten Reichsathleten, thirty-three National Liberals. The supporters of the septennate are hopeful of carrying twenty-five seats, even against a coalition of their opponents.

War rumors have diverted toward Russia. The relations between Russia and two other countries are so strained that official circles no longer attempt to conceal their hostility. In Poland the forts are being rapidly armed with Gatling's and Nordenfledt's rapid shooting shell guns. The rolling stock of the railways is being increased.

The Berlin Post in an article strongly condemning the increase of iron duties by Russia, says: The proposals sprang from the animosity to and Germany.

The two railways, which are situated at Leoben, suspected of being Russian spies, had a plentiful supply of roubles.

EMIGRATION INCREASED.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The Tagblatt says, that owing to the war scare, emigration to America has been greatly increased, the emigrants coming chiefly from Hesse and Wurttemberg.

Earthquakes.

CARING FOR THE INJURED.

ROME, Feb. 27.—Signor Genala, Minister of Public Works, General de Sonner, commander of the fourth army corps, and a number of deputies from the districts ravaged by the earthquakes visited the injured at Diano M. rino to make arrangements for their care and recovery.

Bodies of the killed are still buried beneath the debris. Genala afterwards visited Diano Castella. Thirty dwellings are beneath the ruins of that town. Nurses have been sent to Serrato, where the afflicted inhabitants fled, leaving fifty persons injured.

THE TALK NOT HALF TOLD.

ROME, Feb. 27.—Three more shocks of earthquake were felt at Forti, in the Province of Campobasso, yesterday. The bodies of twenty-four persons, killed by the earthquake Wednesday, have been taken from the ruins at Diano Marino, and it is known that 164 are yet under the fallen buildings. Almost the entire population of Diano Marino are encamped on the sea shore. Three hundred communities were visited by the earthquakes, but as yet reports of casualties have been received from only sixty. The Pope has sent \$20,000 for the relief of the sufferers.

A RUSH TO MONTE CARLO.

MONTE CARLO, Feb. 27.—The hotels here are crowded to their utmost limit by the sudden and enormous rush to the city of thousands of pleasure seekers frightened away from Cannes, Nice, Mentone and Sanremo, all of which were thronged with visitors when the earthquakes came. The weather at Monte Carlo is beautiful, and the refugees from the shattered towns who have recovered from their fright are making the most of it. The harbor is filled with yachts.

An enormous influx of fugitives has invaded Marseilles. The hotels and lodging houses are crowded. Eight thousand persons arrived there Thursday and Friday.

Austria.

CREDITS VOTED.

VIENNA, Feb. 27.—The upper house of the Austrian Reichsrath and the Hungarian Diet, by unanimous votes, passed the extra credits asked by the government for the equipment of the army and the landwehr.

Italy.

STILL WITHOUT A MINISTRY.

ROME, Feb. 27.—All efforts to induce Count de Robilant to form a new ministry have failed. A Depretis-Crispi combination is now talked of.

England.

PEDESTRIAN CONTEST.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The six days' pedestrian contest resulted—Littlewood, 408 miles; Corbett, 380; Conner, 360; Spicer, 340.

Cable Notes.

BUCHAREST, Feb. 27.—It is rumored a revolution is in progress at Sofia.

LISBON, Feb. 27.—The government organs say the Sultan of Zanzibar is suing for peace and is willing to negotiate with Portugal respecting the delimitation of the frontiers of Zanzibar and Mozambique. The Sultan's previous refusal to negotiate lead to the dispute.

BADEN, Feb. 27.—A drama, entitled Schloss Kronberg, written by the King of Sweden, is about to be produced in a German theater at Pech.

BUCHAREST, Feb. 27.—In consequence of the unsettled state of affairs in Eastern Europe the session of Parliament will be

prolonged to March 27. The government has asked extra military credits of \$700,000.

THE FIRE RECORD.

A Blaze at Marshall.

SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.

MARSHALL, TEX., Feb. 27.—This morning at 3 o'clock the opera house was discovered to be on fire. The alarm was given, and in good time the firemen were at work. The fire had such a start when discovered that the entire building was consumed with nearly all the contents. The postoffice, Mr. E. Kennedy's news and book store; Mr. J. H. Cooper, jewelry, clock and watch repairer; Sirger's sewing machine agency, and Mr. D. Sturms' parlor barber shop occupied the lower story. The opera house audience room was the upper story. The building and scenery was insured for \$5000 in the Phoenix Insurance Company, New York, and the Pennsylvania Insurance Company and in the St. Paul-Minneapolis Insurance Company. Mr. Kennedy's book and news depot and furniture were insured for \$1500 in the Fire Association of Philadelphia \$750 in the Sun of California for \$750. D. Sturms' barber shop was insured in the St. Paul Insurance Company for \$500. The east and south walls of the building fell during the fire; the other two walls have been pulled down. The postoffice furniture was not insured and the loss is heavy on Mr. Bart Jennings in furniture, and the cost will be increased by the expense of furnishing another office.

A Brooklyn Blaze.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—A fire broke out at midnight last night in a brick building at No. 420 Hicks street, Brooklyn, owned by D. P. Darling. The Ridgeford Candy Manufacturing Company lost, on machinery and stock, \$50,000; W. D. Bradley, manufacturer of chemicals on the floor where the fire broke out, lost \$50,000. The loss on the building was \$250,000, covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

A BIG SCHEME.

An Attempt to Revive an Old Mexican Land Grant.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 27.—Probably the most extensive private land purchase ever made in this country was consummated in this city a short time ago, and within a few weeks the necessary papers will be prepared and a formal claim for possession entered. While Texas was still a province of the Mexican republic a certain Dr. Beals emigrated from England, married a native Mexican and became a citizen. Desiring to found a colony upon the frontier he obtained from the Mexican government an immense grant of land, consisting of 60,000,000 acres known as the Arkansas grant, situated in what are now the states of Texas, Colorado and the territory of New Mexico. Just then the war of Texas' independence broke out and Dr. Beals found it impossible to establish his colony. The grant was renewed, however, and the treaty of Guadalupe being so framed as to protect those holding grants from the Mexican government, Dr. Beals retained possession of his land. Before he was able to carry out his plan of founding a colony he died, and the grant passed to his children. They did not, however, appreciate the value of the land and no part of it has ever been sold. Now a company of American capitalists, Rufus Hatch being among the number, have obtained title to the land from the heirs and will, it is said, take possession thereof in a short time. The grant covers a district in Northwestern Texas, Northeastern Mexico and Southeastern Colorado, embracing in all more than 60,000,000 acres, but prior grants will reduce this to about 5,000,000. Those interested in the purchase will not at present make public the exact boundaries.

"True as steel" and "as true as the marble compass" Dr. Beals' Grant is in the market equals Salvador Oil. Price only 25 cents.

MAYOR OF CHICAGO.

The United Labor Party Puts Out a Candidate.

CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 27.—Robert Nelson, Master Workman of District Assembly No. 24, Knights of Labor, was nominated last night for mayor of Chicago by the United Labor party convention. His address is a membership of over 25,000 votes. The convention adopted a platform reaffirming the declaration of principles of the United Labor party at Cincinnati. The platform also demands that the steam railroads which cross the city streets in every direction, obstructing traffic and exacting a daily sacrifice of human life, be concentrated into one great entrance and exit, owned and controlled by the city; that all ordinances which give to street car, gas, electric light, telephone and telegraph companies the use of public streets for private gain be repealed; that all local means of transportation, such as street, elevated or underground railways be owned and operated by the local government; that the city shall manufacture and supply gas for general use, shall produce and distribute electrical power for light, heat, motion or communication; that all unoccupied land be taxed to the full limit of the law, and that all work for the city be done directly for the city corporation, and by the legal eight-hour day. Nelson was nominated on the first ballot, and by an overwhelming majority. He is an iron moulder by trade, and a native of Wisconsin. The movement in his favor was kept a profound secret until the assembling of the convention.

Remember that no tickets to THE GAZETTE'S April 5 drawing will be issued after March 31. Be sure you have your money here in ample time. Send it now. The Weekly GAZETTE is only \$1.50 a year, and is the best family paper in the south.

A Georgia Cyclone.

MACON, GA., Feb. 27.—A terrible cyclone struck Galton, Ga., yesterday afternoon. The academy was blown down from its foundations and wrecked. Many houses were badly damaged. A blacksmith was killed by his shop falling on him. Several others were hurt, some seriously.

If every business man in Fort Worth would send the weekly GAZETTE for a year to some friend in the old states it would do more to boom immigration than any other means. Try it—the cost is nothing and you may get a valuable prize in the April distribution of GAZETTE'S free premiums.

MISSING LINK IN LABOR.

Monkeys as a Substitute for Strikers in New York—A Great Saving of Labor.

Every Grade of Human Being Tried and Found Wanting—Corporations Will Try the Non-Union Ape.

New York Star.

The New York Times scored a clear "beat" on the Evening Post recently by exclusively printing the news that seven monkeys are quietly working on a farm near Richmond, Ky., in place of seven negroes, discharged for incompetency. The monkeys were said to be more intelligent than the negroes, to work faster and better and to be incomparably more reliable. As they had no walking delegate, smoked no cigars, wore no clothes, had no religion and no frolics, their labor cost only one-fourth as much as the inferior labor of the colored people, and was giving great satisfaction to the southern planter who employed them.

That gentleman farmer, believed that, in the industrial monkey, he had discovered the missing link of the labor problem. He had made arrangements with a padrone in Cape Town, Africa, to import a gang of six staidward monkeys, instead of importing an industrial body of Huns, Poles or Italians. The monkeys will be put to work pounding hemp, an art in which they learn in four months, practice, precisely as a monkey which goes to an Italian trainer's school in Maffery street for two terms learns such polite accomplishments as playing the violin and dancing, besides acquiring no small smattering of military science and sometimes a little French. At first the large capitalists preferred the Chinese coolie to the Irishman; then they preferred the negro to the Chinese coolie; now they prefer the monkey to the negro. It was the general opinion in New York yesterday that in calling in the monkey the capitalists had solved the industrial problem.

"It appears from the Times' Kentucky dispatch," said a walking delegate yesterday, "that the monkeys are the missing link of the labor problem. The order of choice: The Chinese coolie, the Italian, the Irishman, the Hun, the Pole, the gorilla, (probably next) the automatic ape."

The Times' news from Kentucky created a profound sensation throughout the city. At 8 o'clock yesterday morning a tall, lank, yellow man entered Reich's animal store in Chatham street and said that he would like to get eight monkeys to go down to Mississippi and pick cotton. The yellow man added he had a plantation near Baton Rouge, and that the negro hands had all struck and then emigrated in a body to Arkansas. He would like to get a couple of intelligent monkeys to go down south and hoe his cotton and gather his crop. Mr. Reich said he was very sorry, but the man was too late; all the monkeys had been spoken for by the steamship companies.

"Seven non-union monkeys working on a farm in Kentucky to the detriment of the colored 'Kinks of Labor,'" said a William street jobber in chimpanzees, gorillas and miscellaneous apes, "is not so strange as to be wholly impossible. Many animals really work. The real butler which you see in the country may be churned by a dapple steer that does his daily stint of labor in the treadmill, year after year, till at last he drops down by his familiar churn, and is himself turned into oleomargarine in life and death a martyr to butter! Half of the real butler turned out in New York state is made by dogs and steers, and nearly all the other labor is done by fowls and swine, and not only is the monkey to catch fish, and it is no play to them, as to bound or falcon, pursuing game, but hunt, prowl, every day work. Dogs hunt like Indians. What is there about a monkey that he shouldn't earn his own living? Why should he be regarded as our lazy ancestor, or rather as the idle second cousin of men—the ne'er-do-well of our kind?"

"But give the monkey his due—he does work! He works every day in every street in New York. He supports his himself. He supports his friend and guide, the organ grinder. Indeed, he sometimes supports an entire family. He is always the senior partner of the musical firm to which he belongs, and he has as much earning capacity as a small railway. No one gives money to the organ grinder—it is to the monkey, the gay, light-hearted monkey in his cap and coat, full of chic, bubbling over with humor, that the delighted children give their pennies. He is the comedian; the hand organ is simply his orchestra, and not only is he the organ grinder, but when he hangs from the tenth-story window shutter of a tall flat, he is a better acrobat than the Hancos ever dreamed of being. Why shouldn't he pound hemp in Kentucky? I have but to say that I am sorry a monkey should throw away his talent pounding hemp in Kentucky."

"In business and finance the monkey is an admirable collector and a trusty reliable cashier. No matter how frequent were defalcations, no monkey ever ran away with an organ grinder's purse. Honest, industrious, faithful, enterprising, opposed to trades unions, cherishing an intense conviction that there ought to be no walking delegates, the ape is regarded by the Times as the ideal American workman, able to pound hemp in Kentucky more intelligently and cheaply than a negro."

The successful industrial experiment narrated by the New York Times of substituting monkeys for negroes in the south in the industry of pounding hemp, prepared the public mind for the step which the steamship companies have taken, and it was with no surprise that the people saw little knots of gorillas, straggling gangs of chimpanzees, squads of awkward Barbara apes and all sorts of miscellaneous monkeys stroll toward the steamship piers and the freight stations to take the places of the striking longshoremen and of their comrades, the freight handlers. It didn't surprise anybody who had read the Times. The workmen simply said that the French Canadians had been substituted for the Puritan by the capitalist wards of the government in the subsidized cotton mills of New England; that the Pole had been substituted for the American workman by the wards of the government in the subsidized iron mills of Cleveland; the Hun had been substituted for the Pennsylvania in the coal mines of his own mountains; Chinese, worshipping a wooden god, and lazaroni, eating liver and lights, had been substituted for American workmen everywhere. The monkey, according to the Times' dispatch, worked for one-

fourth as much as a man. This was business. Why not abolish the American workmen and substitute the ape? This proposition was not extraordinary. What with Huns, Chinese, etc., they wouldn't have far to go. The capitalists had been approximating this step ever since the American workmen came back from the battle fields of the war, and in recruiting the labor of the Republic from people imported like cattle they got almost within a step of the ape. That is the way the workmen talked on the piers.

The monkeys walked down, smiling, to the Morgan pier, and expected that the non-union Italians at work there would fraternize with them. But the Italians whimsically refused to work alongside the monkeys, and at once struck. The non-union men from Castle Garden, on the other hand, not only worked alongside the apes, but worked under them. On one pier the attitude of the apes for four-shore work was shown by one gorilla taking charge of the pier and directing all the labor of the non-union Castle Garden men. During the entire day the monkeys proved their great superiority to the non-union workmen, and more than fulfilled all the promises made for them by the Times.

Last night a chimpanzee applied for a situation as brakeman on the elevated railway.

It was rumored last evening that two gorillas had been put in Pinkerton's guards.

Half a dozen monkeys have obtained situations as footmen on the coal mine owners' carriages.

Several baboons have obtained good situations as private coachmen.

It is said that a literary ape has received the time-honored formula, and will write the fifth column editorial article in the New York Times.

A SECOND TEWKSBURY.

Nameless Crimes Carried on in a County Poor House.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Feb. 27.—The Daily Advance publishes a startling sensation from Amherst courthouse, concerning the horrible condition of the county poorhouse, as developed upon investigation by the grand jury. A female inmate complains of treatment too appalling to be described, and abuses from Superintendent J. M. Dawson which is hardly possible to believe. It is questionable if such a den of infamy could be found elsewhere. The poor women were almost naked. One was discovered in a cold room without a fire, wearing an old calico wrapper. Vermin and filth were found in every direction. The county authorities furnish the superintendent with bedclothing for use of the paupers, but the grand jury found only five blankets and all of them were in the possession of a mulatto woman, a favorite of the superintendent. It was also discovered that nameless crimes were systematically carried on to such an extent that it was dangerous for respectable dependents to be sent there. The grand jury was disgusted and reported the facts to the court, recommending the removal of the superintendent and his arrest, which the court ordered immediately.

The merits of St. Jacobs Oil as a household remedy are unquestioned.

Notes from Jones County.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

ANSON, TEX., Feb. 25.—Drouth Commissioner Teague gave our County Judge a check for \$750 for immediate relief of those who are needing the worst, and told the County Judge that Jones county would get \$2500 or \$3000 from the state relief bill. What our people need worst is seed—oats, corn, millet, etc., and something to feed their teams on while they plant.

Abe Johnson and Frank Campbell were due \$25 each yesterday for horse-racing on the public square, before Esquire Little. Campbell's horse ran against a horse that was tied to a post and killed it, and hurt Campbell pretty badly.

No rain has fallen yet in Jones county.

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A Negro Drops Dead.

Special to the Gazette.

HOUSTON, TEX., Feb. 27.—This afternoon a negro named Tom Vinters of Woodville, while walking along the street, dropped dead. Justice Bailey held an inquest over the remains. The inquest jury rendered a verdict of death from heart disease.

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Surrendered to the Officers.

CANTON, TEX., Feb. 26.—Wiley Moore, the man who shot his brother-in-law, H. P. Bushy, several weeks ago, has surrendered to the officers. He stood an examining trial yesterday. Final action was deferred until next Wednesday, owing to the fact that the main witness for the state was absent. Moore is under bond to appear at court next Wednesday.

Thousands of good people in the older states would start for Texas, if only they knew what a grand country we have. The Weekly GAZETTE will better inform them on this than any other means. Will you not help to distribute this information by subscribing to it for the friends you would like to have come to live near you.

Drouth Commissioners at Cisco.

CISCO, TEX., Feb. 27.—Two of the drouth commissioners, General W. P. Lane and Major William Ferguson, arrived here to-day. Judge Teague will not arrive before to-morrow. Nothing will be done until his arrival, and it will be Tuesday before they leave here.

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